

# Final Coat

"What Color Is Your Paint?", Part 3  
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"As each one has received a special gift, **employ it in serving one another** as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. Whoever speaks, let him speak, as it were, the utterances of God; whoever serves, let him do so as by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."

(1 Peter 4:10-11, NASB)

## Three Reasons Why We Should Faithfully And Fully Use Our Gifts

### I) WE \_\_HONOR GOD\_\_ WHEN WE USE HIS GIFTS

"[Use your gifts]... so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen." (v. 11b)

#### 1) He receives additional \_\_GLORY\_\_ as we serve.

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31, NIV)

#### 2) He reveals personal \_\_APPRECIATION\_\_ for our service.

"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant!'" (Matt. 25:21a, NIV)

### II) WE \_\_HELP PEOPLE\_\_ WHEN WE USE HIS GIFTS

"As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another." (v.10a)

#### 1) We help individuals \_\_EXPERIENCE TRUE LOVE\_\_.

"...Do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Galatians 5:13b-14, NIV)

#### 2) We help the church \_\_GROW STRONG IN UNITY\_\_.

"A spiritual gift is given to each of us as a means of helping the entire church." (1 Corinthians 12:7, NLT)

#### 3) We help the world \_\_SEE WHO JESUS REALLY IS\_\_.

"I [Jesus] in them and you [Father] in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." (John 17:23, NIV)

### III) WE \_\_HEAP REWARDS\_\_ WHEN WE USE HIS GIFTS

"...Serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." (v.10b)

"...passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings." (LB)

#### 1) We receive \_\_TEMPORAL REWARDS\_\_ in this life.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." (Galatians 6:9, NIV)

#### 2) We receive \_\_ETERNAL REWARDS\_\_ in heaven.

"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'" (Matthew 25:21, NIV)

**\*Will you try painting just once or  
will you keep painting until the work is done?**